

Letters of acknowledgment were received as follows: Rev. H. Clay Trumbull and Rev. Daniel R. Goodwin of Philadelphia; Mr. John Haines of Germantown; Maryland Historical Society; Mr. Charles V. Riley of Washington; Cincinnati Observatory; Universities of Tennessee and California; Mr. George Davidson of California (122); Royal Society of Victoria (116, 117, 118 and Register of Papers); R. Accademia dei Lincei and R. Istituto Lombardo (117-120); Royal Institution and Radcliffe Observatory (121); Society of Antiquaries of London (120, 121); Mr. Robert N. Toppan of Cambridge, Mass. (119); Oneida Historical Society (96-122 and miscellaneous pamphlets).

Letters of envoy were received as follows: Oneida Historical Society, Utica, N. Y., and the Chief Signal Officer, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C.

Photographs were received for the Society's Album from Charles V. Riley of Washington, D. C., and Dr. Traill Green of Easton, Pa.

The death of John Welsh was announced as having taken place at Philadelphia on the 10th day of April, 1886, in the 82d year of his age, and on motion the President was authorized to appoint a suitable person to prepare an obituary notice.

The Committee on Prof. Cope's paper was continued.

Pending nominations Nos. 1081 to 1108, and new nominations Nos. 1109, 1110, 1111, were read, and the Society was adjourned by the President.

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*Stated Meeting, May 7, 1886.*

Present, 4 members.

Mr. LAW, in the Chair.

Donations were announced to the library from the following sources: Mining Department, Melbourne; Physical Central-Observatorium, St. Petersburg; K. K. Geologische Reichs-

anstalt, K. K. Zoologisch-Botanische Gesellschaft, K. K. Central Anstalt für Meteorologie und Erd-Magnetismus, Vienna; Deutsche Gesellschaft für Anthropologie, Ethnologie und Urgeschichte, Munich; Prof. Dr. G. D. E. Weyer of Kiel; K. P. Akademie der Wissenschaften, Berlin; K. Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften, Göttingen; Naturwissenschaftliche Gesellschaft, St. Gallen; Académie Royale de Copenhagen; Statistiska Central Byrån, Stockholm; Académie Royale des Sciences, &c., Bruxelles; Société de Géographie, Société Américaine de France, Institution Ethnographique and Prof. Léon de Rosny of Paris; Instituto y Observatorio de Marina, San Fernando; R. Biblioteca Nazionale Centrale di Firenze; Cav. Damiano Muoni of Milan; Royal Society, Royal Institution, Zoölogical Society, Royal Astronomical and Geographical Societies, "Nature," Journal of Forestry of London; Manitoba Historical Society; Canadian Record of Science, Montreal; American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston; Essex Institute; Yale College, American Journal of Science, New Haven; Meteorological Observatory and New York Academy of Sciences; Brooklyn Entomological Society; Buffalo Historical Society; Geological Survey of New Jersey; Franklin Institute, American Pharmaceutical Association, Board of Directors of City Trusts, Hydrographic Office, Mr. Henry Phillips, Jr. and the publishers of The American Naturalist, Philadelphia; Board of Commissioners of Public Charities of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg; Prof. Ira Remsen, Johns Hopkins University, and The American Journal of Archæology, Baltimore; Department of State and War Department, Washington; Messrs. A. C. McClurg & Co., Chicago; University of Michigan.

Letters of acknowledgment were received from the K. Danske Videnskabernes Selskab, Copenhagen (116 and Register of Papers); Lackawanna Institute of History and Science (117, 118, 119, 120, 121, Cat. Parts 1, 2, 3, 4); South Kensington Museum, Cambridge Philosophical Society, and University Library, Prof. Geikie (121); Dr. J. T. Rothrock and Prof. L. M. Haupt of Philadelphia (122); Zoological

Society of London (120, 121); Institut Canadien-Français, and the Manitoba Historical Society, Canadian Institute (121, 122); Annales des Mines, Paris (Trans. XIV, 2).

Prof. Cope requested permission to withdraw the paper offered by him for the Transactions on February 5, 1886, which on motion was granted and the paper was presented by him for the Proceedings.

On motion the Committee on same appointed February 5, 1886, was discharged.

Prof. Cope offered for the Transactions "A systematic catalogue of the Vertebrata found in the beds of the Permian Epoch in North America," which was referred to a Committee to be appointed by the President.

Dr. A. S. Gatschet of Washington, presented through the Secretaries a paper on The Beothuk Language (second paper); with a vocabulary.

Pending nominations Nos. 1031 to 1111 were read.

Dr. Frazer exhibited the map to accompany his Geology of York County, Pa., stating the colors were in accordance with the new International method of the late Geological Congress at Berlin. Dr. Frazer also exhibited a plate to accompany his paper on the application of Composite Photography to handwriting.

On motion the appropriation for the map was increased to \$60 and that for the photographic plate to \$56.

And the Society was adjourned by the presiding member.

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*Stated Meeting, May 21, 1886.*

Present, 37 members.

President FRALEY in the Chair.

Donations to the library were received from the following: Geological Survey, of India; Naturwissenschaftlicher Verein, Bremen; Flora Batava, Leyden; Académie R de Belgique;